

# Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub Newsletter



MORROW UMATILLA UNION COUNTIES  
Blue Mountain  
Early Learning HUB

February 8, 2017

## Early Childhood Partnership Team Meetings (ECPT)

**Umatilla County**-Thursday, April 6 from 9-11 at InterMountain ESD.

**Union County**- Wednesday, February 8 from 1-3 at Cook Memorial Public Library in La Grande.

[Union County ECPT Facebook Page.](#)

**Morrow County**-Thursday, February 9 from 12-2 at the Port of Morrow Well Springs Room.

## March Conscious Discipline Training



Annette Chastain will be facilitating a free Conscious Discipline training on March 10 in Pendleton. All PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers and providers are

invited to participate in this training, which will focus on a successful self-regulation program that many of our regional school districts and early childhood agencies have implemented.

**Date:** March 10

**Location:** Pendleton High Schools Commons

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

\*For more details and registration information please refer to the flyer attached to this email.



## Spotlight on Regional Early Childhood Activities Morrow, Umatilla, and Union County Learning Picnics

Umatilla-Morrow Head Start is providing the opportunity for families to participate in learning picnics across Morrow, Umatilla, and Union Counties with the help of a Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub grant.

These literacy and language based engagement activities focus on children 0-6 and their families. Every family takes home a book and interactive activities to impact school readiness.

## Kindergarten Support Team (KST)



**Goal:** To support kindergarten teachers with challenging behaviors in the classroom.

**How it works:**

### Request & Observation:

- The principal requests services.
- A BMELH representative will schedule a site visit within 48 hours of the request to consult with the teacher and/or principal and to make an observation of the classroom environment.

### Collaboration:

- The Kindergarten Support Team (KST) will be established. These individuals will be primarily school-based with the addition of a representative from the BMELH.
- This team will then meet to create an action plan.

### Implementation of Action Plan:

- An action plan will be created which may include a Student Success Plan consisting of preventative strategies, behavior interventions, and a protocol for responding to misbehavior.
- The KST will continue to reconvene and reevaluate the action plan.

### Accomplishing our goals:

The KST is a way to provide support to our local school districts and to get services to children in our region. These supports include strategies to be used in the classroom for school success, collaboration with the families to provide consistency and communication between school and home, and possibly a referral for community support services.

### Findings:

We have found each KST case to be unique. In many cases, a Student Success Plan with behavior interventions may be needed. In some cases, there is simply a need for instructional support. We are also finding that this is a great way of getting *Conscious Discipline* strategies and tools into classrooms and in the homes of our children.